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FOLNG SENT NEW DELHI IMMEDIATE INFO BOMBAY, CALCUTTA FM MADRAS  
DTD MAY 6TH:

QUOTE: MADRAS 0558

E.O. 11652: N/A

TAGS: ETRN ELAB IN

SUBJ: RAIL STOPPAGE

REF: NEW DELHI 5898

1. AS OF 1100 MONDAY MAY 6 LOCAL AND LONG DISTANCE RAIL  
SERVICE REMAINS VIRTUALLY PARALYZED IN SOUTH. GOTN IG POLICE  
ARUL MOBILIZED POLICE FORCE MAY 3 THROUGHOUT STATE TO PATROL  
TRACKS, GUARD JUNCTIONS AND DIVISIONAL OFFICE AND STATIONS.  
ARMY UNITS REPORTEDLY MOVED TO ARKONAM AND JOLARPET JUNCTIONS  
WEST OF MADRAS TO PREVENT DISTURBANCE AND SABOTAGE AND ENSURE  
MAINTENANCE OF SKELETON SERVICE AFTER STRIKE OFFICALLY STARTS,  
MAY 8. LOCAL PRESS REPORTS DETENTION OF 257 RAILWAY LABOR  
LEADERS IN TAMIL NADU AND ANDHRA PRADESH BOOKED UNDER SPECIFIC  
CHARGES AND MISA. TEARGAS USED AT MADRAS EGMORE MAY 3 AGAINST  
AGITATING EMPLOYEES AND AT GOIMBATORE MAY 5 TO DISPERSE CROWD  
OBSTRUCTING FREIGHT TRAIN. SOME REPORTS OF SABATAGE INCLUDING  
TAMPERING WITH COMMUNICATION AND ARSON. ATTACK OF PRO-LABOR MOB  
REPORTEDLY FORCED CLOSURE OF FOUR STATIONS (COIMBATORE, ERODE,  
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PADANUR, TIRUPPUR). SEVERAL STATION REPORTEDLY LOYAL WORKERS

INTIMIDATED BY STRIKERS AND THEIR SUPPORTERS.

2. THE ONLY POLITICAL PARTY TO MAKE STATEMENT ON THE SITUATION  
IS THE TAMIL NADU CONGRESS COMMITTEE WHICH ANNOUNCED CONTRIBU-  
TION OF QTE VOLUNTEER FORCE UNQTE TO HELP KEEP RAILWAYS RUNNIG.  
EAVES. UNQUOTE SCHNEIDER

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